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PATENT

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In re application of: Laurie E. Gathman et al.  
Serial No.: 09/971,141  
Filed: October 4, 2001  
For: BUSINESS METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR  
COMMUNICATING PUBLIC-FACILITY STATUS  
INFORMATION THROUGH A VIRTUAL TICKET  
DEVICE  
Group No.: 3629  
Examiner: Jonathan P. Ouellette

**AFFIDAVIT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.131**

This Affidavit Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.131 is submitted in connection with a response of the Applicants to an Office Action dated March 15, 2005.

Before me, the undersigned notary, on this day personally appeared John T. Mockler, a person whose identity is known to me. After I administered an oath to him, upon his oath, he said:

1. "My name is John T. Mockler. I am competent to make this affidavit.

The facts stated in this affidavit are within my personal knowledge and are true and correct.

2. I am a patent attorney. My Patent Office Registry Number is 39,775.

I prepared a patent application for the invention described and claimed in United States Patent Application Serial No. 09/971,141 filed on October 4, 2001 and published in United States Patent Application Publication No. 2003/0069763 on April 20, 2003.

3. I completed a draft of the patent application and sent it to the inventors Ms. Laurie E. Gathman and Mr. Jack E. Haken for their review no later than August 15, 2001.

4. Further Affiant sayeth not."

Signed this 15<sup>th</sup> day of August 2005.

John T. Mockler  
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SWORN TO and SUBSCRIBED before me by John T. Mockler on this the 15<sup>th</sup>  
day of August 2005.

Kathy A. Hamilton  
Notary Public

